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1. The newly formed Ministry for Machine Construction is now beginning to function under Heinrich Rau, whose deputy is Friedrich Schneider.
2. The ministry was formed by merging the following three ministries:
 - a. Agriculture and Transport Machinery Construction (Land Maschinenbau und Transportmittel:)(short title Landmaschbau).
 - b. Heavy Machine Construction (Schwermaschinenbau)(Schwermaschbau)
 - c. General Machine Construction(Allgemeiner Maschinenbau)(Allgemeinmaschbau)
3. Bernd Weinberger, head of 2(a), has retired from public life. Gerhard Ziller, head of 2(b), has turned his interests to politics and is now Walter Ulbricht's assistant. Helmut Wunderlich, head of 2(c), has an as yet unspecified job in the new Ministry.
4. The new Ministry is divided into four Bereiche (areas), which are subdivided into Hauptverwaltungen (HV)(Main Administrations).

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